SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL): (a) The office of CCI&E does not maintain information on net foreign exchange earned by all exporters. Export Houses/Trading House status is granted on the basis of minimum prescribed net foreign exchange earning achieved. However, on the basis of information available in this office, with regard to Trading Houses/Export Houses, there is only one Trading House who has exported more than Rs. 50 crores in 1989-90 and earned net foreign exchange earnings less than Rs. 50 crores in that year.

(b) M/s B. Vijay Kumar & Company, Bombay.

Indian Private investment in Peoples Republic of China and Vietnam

1009. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of investment made by Indians in various industries in Peoples Republic of China and Vietnam so far; and

(b) what is the amount of profits, if any, repatriated from these countries during 1989-90?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL): (a) No approval has been accorded for innvestment by Indian in Peoples Republic of China. In Vietnam, one joint venture was approved on 25-5-1990 in which the proposed Indian equity is US $ 4.00 lacs.

(b) Does not arise.

Criteria for engaging lawyers outside the country

1010. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria laid down by Government for engaging lawyers for court cases outside the country;

(a) whether a loss of about $ 20 million was incurred in cases involving the Indian Oil Corporation, the Food Corporation of India etc. due to the engagement of incompetent lawyers;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what action has been taken or is proposed to be taken by Government to check such losses in future?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY): (a) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) No such loss has been brought to the attention of the Government.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Introduction of five day week in Banks, Central Government Offices and Public Sector Undertakings

1011. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any move ts introduce five day week in banks as economy drive in the wake of Gulf crisis;

(b) if so, what are the other areas where it would be introduced; and

(c) what are the estimated savings in case this measure is implemented?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to introduce five day week in banks.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.